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South Dublin Radio club

Last weekend South Dublin Radio Club took part in the CW field day in Ballinalsoe. All had great fun.

The club plans a cruise on the Shannon over the weekend of the 28th and 29th of June. Listen for them on the Worked all Ireland frequencies.

The club plans on having regular talks at the usual club meetings on Tuesdays upstairs at the Ballyroan community centre next to the church on the Marian Road in Rathfarnham. These talks are open to visitors from other clubs and short wave listeners from the greater Dublin area. Normally the talks take place at 8:30 p.m. sharp with tea, coffee and biscuits provided.

One the 17th of June, Dave Court EI3IO, former Director of CEPTs European Radiocommunications Office, Copenhagen will give a talk entitled Introduction to Spectrum Management.

On the 22nd of July Tony, EI3GU one of the team members of "Fastnet Force 7" will show a film and answer questions on EJ7FRL, the first and only activation (so-far) of Fastnet rock in 1991.

If you think you could talk on a radio or technology topic then contact the club through the website at www.southdublinradioclub.ie

Foyle & District Amateur Radio Club

Foyle & District Amateur Radio Club will be operating with the callsign GB1AFP for International Museums Weekend from the Ulster American Folk Park, an open-air museum in Co Tyrone, Northern Ireland, during this weekend.

The museum tells the story of emigration from Ulster to America in the 18th and 19th centuries and provides visitors with a "living history" experience on its outdoor site. Costumed demonstrators go about their everyday tasks in the traditional manner in authentically furnished Old and New World buildings.

The Ship and Dockside Gallery features a full-size reconstruction of an early 19th century sailing ship of the type which carried thousands of emigrants across the

Atlantic and a major indoor exhibition "Emigrants" complements the outdoor site. The Centre for Migration Studies can assist those who wish to find out more about emigration history and the way of life of emigrants and settlers. Bring the family along for a great day out.

Limerick Radio Club

The Limerick Radio Club June meeting will take place on Thursday the 12th of June at the Regional Technical Colleg, Limerick starting at 19:30. This will be the last meeting before the Summer break.

Theory Examination

Applications are coming in steadily to sit the next theory examination for the experimenter licence, which will be held on Wednesday the 9th of July at 2 p.m. in the ComReg Offices in Dublin.

Places for the examinations, which are limited, will be allocated on a first come first served basis and will only be reserved on receipt of the appropriate fee. The fee is 50 Euro or 25 Euro for full-time registered students, repeat candidates and those who are retired, unemployed or have a disability and should be sent to Seán Nolan EI7CD at QTHR.

Cheques and Money Orders should be made payable to the IRTS. When forwarding the exam fee intending candidates should include their e-mail and postal addresses as well as a contact telephone number. The closing date for applications to sit the examination is 25 June. Sean EI7CDs address can be found in the IRTS call book or in the call book section of the IRTS website at www.irts.ie Seán's e-mail address for further enquiries is "ei7cd at gofree dot indigo dot ie". Useful information for intending candidates, including a sample examination paper, can be found in the Downloads and Radio Theory Links sections of the IRTS website at www.irts.ie

We wish all intending candidates the best of luck in the examination.

Friedrichshafen Rally

The Society again plans to host a stand at this year's Rally scheduled from June 27th to 29th.

In order to draw up a roster of Irish hams visiting the Rally who might be willing to help in manning the Stand, those planning to travel are invited to send their names and contact details to Sean Donelan EI4GK. Sean's email address is "donelansean at gmail dot com". The commitment required from any individual is unlikely to be great but any assistance offered will be much appreciated.

Contests

Please note that the deadline for logs for the CW Field Day is the 8th of July. The VHF/UHF Field Day will take place on the 5th/6th of July. For up to date information on Contests visit the societys web site on www.irts.ie

Items for inclusion in next weeks Radio News should be forwarded to Mark Wall, EI7IS at QTHR or by phone to 087-6302026 or 051-340850. Items for the radio news can also be faxed to 087 5 6302026. News should be submitted via e-mail to "news at irts dot ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Friday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

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